

Mirror editorials, etc.

Come on down!

If you haven't already done so this week, come on down! That is the call for this year's Pioneer Days celebration in downtown Carbondale.

If you enjoyed the first two years' celebration, then you should more than enjoy yourself this time.

And, whatever you do, don't miss the big parade scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 29, 1 p.m.

It will be worth the price of admission (even if it weren't free as it is) just to see the celebrities slated to be in the line of march.

Clayton Moore, the original Lone Ranger, will be the parade's grand marshal. Also appearing in the parade will be Oscar Robertson, the former NBA basketball great, and Carmen Basilio, the retired boxing champion.

Wow!

Summer's nearing its end and that means school children will be going back to classes.

And that means that motorists will have to drive with care at all times as children make their way to and from school.

Too often, youngsters are too busy playing and talking while walking to school, not paying attention to the traffic as they cross intersections or walk along thoroughfares.

Again, we urge all motorists to take extra care when driving during those hours when school opens and closes each day.

Summer's gone

MS: waters VS.

By NAN WATERS

REMEMBRANCE

Recently we were invited to a wedding. This isn't a usual occurrence at our age, since most of our friends are already married. As a matter of fact, we were to be divorced in recent years than weddings.

These nuptials were a little unusual, but then so were the principals involved. One was a very old and decrepit old man, the other (because she was marrying him) a very new and dear friend.

For him it was a second marriage, and because it was, it was beautiful in its simplicity, totally appropriate and utterly charming.

Being a feminist, we were enchanted with the elderly person, a thirty-two-year-old man with long brown hair and a beautiful face, she reminded us of the evangelist played by Jean Simmons in "Elder Beckett".

The ceremony itself was hardly traditional. The bride's father did not "give her away," like so much church. There was no "I do," because of any reason why not, and the word "never" never came up.

The bridegroom, who is beset with a significant, professionally trained career since, sang hymns and hymns, "Our Father" and "The Lord's Prayer," during the service.

Among the attendees were the bride's young adult daughter, and the bridegroom's son and son-in-law.

Following the brief ceremony, the clergyman spoke softly and advisedly to the couple, telling them that they each "had a part" and would be meeting two families.

At the end of her remarks, she leaned forward and kissed both of them.

As we sat there sobbing into our Kleenex, we always do at weddings, we thought of how times and people, and wedding and church traditions, and especially women's roles in all of them, have changed.

And how very nice to witness such a happy occasion, when all we've gone to in recent years were funerals and divorces.

Top of the town

HELLO TO Father Nicholas Albanese, former area Episcopal rector, who was seen visiting in downtown Carbondale last week.

We won't say where he was because it would ruin his fine reputation.

Well, Al DiGregorio of the Ros-Al Studio, is that true?

SPOTTED ON THE CITY'S West Side last week was Patrolman Walter Connor who was added by some people who never see him because he usually works the midnight shift on the city's police force.

THE REV. CARMINE PERRY, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, blessed the Mirror's office last week. He said it should work for the Presbyterians and Episcopalians on the staff, too!

IS IT TIME to go home, yet, mommie?

Anyhow, he asked one of the staff if the desks were on order.

Father, what you saw is what we got!

HADYN POWELL and Don Board were talking with Mirror night editor Pete Smith last week.

But they were already warned not to believe a word he said.

So, readers, take heed, and don't believe Smith.

WANT TO SAY thank you for the fine

response all our new readers (aren't they all?) for all their nice comments about our first issue.

OUR CAR of the week is the March, first introduced in 1986 and again in 1920. We were going to make a joke about that name, but we decided that it is a sticky subject.

Actually, some readers might say we sunk to new depths with that last sentence.

HOPING YOU are feeling better wishes go to Mary Moyle, mother of former newspaper editor Tom Moyle.

WERE ONLY young once. After that we have to think up a new excuse.

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Reflections ...



LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSE is what is written on the back of this week's Reflections photo. The date is April 13, 1923. The school was located at RD 1, Carbondale, Crystal Lake.

St. Joseph's comm center.

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been trying to reach you on an important matter that the phone was busy?

This problem is eliminated with the Dimension phone system. If you are the phoner, you hear a soft beep if the person you are calling is not in the office. If you are the called party, you hear a soft beep if the person calling is not in the office.

St. Joseph's will also have a three-tone code which will indicate a top-priority call. This will only be used sparingly for important reasons, she stressed.

Those who may be patients within the hospital when the system goes into effect need not panic. A local call to the Carbondale office will be made by dialing "9".

Did you ever meet someone on the street who exasperatingly tells you that they had

number. What has been changed though, is the access for a Scram line. Instead of dialing for the switchboard and requesting an open line, the patient need only dial the numbers "71" and the number.

The number at St. Joseph's Hospital will still remain at 282-2100. The only change for those calling in will consist of a change in the extension. All will be four-digit numbers each beginning with "36".

So as of Sunday, Aug. 23 at 12:05 a.m., St. Joseph's Hospital, Carbondale, turned over to the new Dimension phone system — a system that St. Joseph's Hospital thinks will enable the upvalley medical center to better serve area residents.

IT'S THE LAW!

Job for The Handicapped

If you're qualified but disabled, you may be entitled to serious consideration for a job with fully half of America's some three million businesses covered by Federal law.

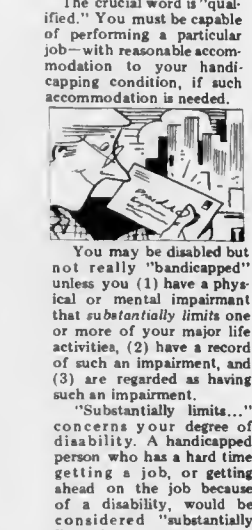
The crucial word is "qualified." You must be capable of performing a particular job with reasonable accommodation to your handicapping condition, if such accommodation is needed.

"Substantially limits..." concerns your degree of disability. A handicapped person who has had time getting a job, or getting ahead on the job because of a disability, would be considered "substantially limited."

As for your "major life activities," these include communication, ambulation, self-care, socialization, education, transportation, and employment. The main emphasis is on activities that in some way affect your employment.

For further information about employment laws affecting disabled people, write to the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, Washington, D.C. 20210.

"An old man in a house is a good sign," Benjamin Franklin



For an interesting change from hot-bum luncheon fare, try brown-bagged salad. "Tasty Tuna Totes" combine that lunchtime favorite, tuna with celery, radishes and relish, all tossed with convenient bottled life Italian dressing for a tangy flavor. Instead of a sandwich, pack the salad into a green pepper cup—it's easily lovable, completely edible and even low in calories! Add breadsticks, a wedge of cheese and a thermos of hot or cold tea for a slimming brown-bagged lunch you'll want to have often!

TASTY TUNA TOTES

1 can (7 oz.) tuna packed in water, drained and flaked

1-1/4 cups chopped celery

1-1/2 cups shredded radishes

2 tablespoons sweet pickle relish

12 egg white omelets

4 medium fresh peppers

In medium bowl, combine tuna, celery, radishes and relish; toss with life Italian dressing. Spoon mixture into pepper cups; wrap and chill. Makes 4 servings. 140 calories per serving.

Letters to the editor

Letters to the editor of the Carbondale Mirror are invited from readers and non-readers alike. Fair play and accuracy are the basic guidelines. The name, address, and telephone number of the writer is requested, but will be withheld from publication should the letterwriter ask so and provide a good reason. The editors of the Mirror reserve the right to edit or reject any letter.

Missed you

Ms. Nan Waters
Carbondale MIRROR

Dear Nan:

I was happy to read the first edition of the Carbondale MIRROR.

I missed reading your interesting article in (another Carbondale weekly).

Keep up the good work. It makes my day.

Sincerely,
Bonnie Stewart Johnson
Jermyn

On the way

Paul:

You're on your way!

Good luck in your new newspaper.

Dave Krantz

General Hospital sets screening

Carbondale General Hospital will sponsor a free blood pressure screening as part of the Pioneer Days celebration. The screening will be held on Thursday, Aug. 27, from noon until 5 p.m. at Carbondale City Hall.

The free screening will be conducted by Mrs. Ronna Salansky, RN, in-service coordinator, and Mrs. Jean Kovaleski, RN, patient education nurse.

According to Mrs. Salansky, one out of every four adults suffers from high blood pressure. High blood pressure does not always produce symptoms; having the blood pressure checked is the only way to detect hypertension.

The testing will be done in accordance with American Heart Association guidelines.

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Apartment tenants are told: 'city is watching'

The following story is taken from a letter written by a resident of the Summit Gardens Apartments, a 12-building complex located behind the Carbondale Area High School. The complex was constructed amid controversy as landlords in the city voiced the opinion that the complex would draw its tenants from the small apartment buildings in the city.

"Behind this beautiful school sits 12 brand new buildings, housing 216 apartments, with a population of almost 900 people, including children and adults.

"Imagine, in this one area, housing almost one-tenth of Carbondale's population on 11.2 acres of land.

"Each building takes 18 apartments, with occupants ranging from newborns to retired adults. In detail we have six 3-bedroom, six 2-bedroom, and six 1-bedroom apartments — housing approximately 50 people or more, depending on family size, in each building.

"Just try and imagine having that many people in a building, along with children in and out many times a day, trying to keep 100 per cent total harmony.

"Well, surprisingly enough, it is done, although people from the outside seem to have a lot more to say.

"I, with my husband and children, moved here (Summit Gardens). It is the first time we ever lived apartment-style and it was a tremendous adjustment to us, as well as all the other people just in our own building. Just a little consideration for the other people around doesn't take much.

"The number of accidents among as many children as we have has been minimal. Children have accidents on every street and playground of every town, so this isn't uncommon.

"Not long ago I ran into a woman down at the Plaza and our conversation led from one thing to another. Under the impression that when her husband passed away that she moved to the garden apartments, I asked her if it were so.

"Her reply was very sharp and curt: 'I wouldn't be caught dead living up that jungle.'

"At that point, not knowing where I was living, she asked me if I were still living where I had been. My reply was no, that I was living at Summit Gardens.

"Stumbling for words she said, 'Well, not everyone up there is bad.'

"How would you feel about an answer like that?

"Now you look at this situation and try to have an open mind. Remember we are almost 900 children and adults, 18 apartments each unit, and 12 units. We must have a set of rules and regulations, for if each person did as he felt, there could be continual war.

"The rules include: don't slam doors, no biking on the grounds, music and television must be turned down (not off) by 11 p.m.

"The easy one is that tenants are responsible for their guests' behavior while visiting. This is the biggest problem.

"The people of Carbondale hear what happens at the complex and in pure disgust the most common remark is, 'It's the Summit Gardens Apartments again! If they didn't build this, we wouldn't have all this trouble.'

"Or, 'I'm sure glad I don't live in that place.'

"Yes, we do have problems. With this many people how can you avoid it completely? But our main source of trouble are brought in here by outsiders.

"These people don't live here. And when they come, if a disturbance is caused, how can they be because they won't receive the letter from the office that tells you that your son and three of his friends (the ones who don't live here) caused a problem a while ago last night and woke up most of the people.

"What about the carload of boys who drive through at 130 in the morning, throwing beer cans and bottles all over the place? None of them even live here.

"Let's take the trail bikes running behind the building, close to the downstair windows and the 84-year-old woman who is almost blind and is scared to death because she can't see how close they are to her window and if the window broke. Again, these are kids who don't even live up here, but they sure make enough trouble and noise around here.

"Then you have people come in here and walk off with the fire extinguishers out of our hall.

"Now we have the married woman who

has taken her children and moved in. She is in the process of a divorce or legal separation. Maybe, 3 a.m. her husband leaves a local bar and decides it is a good time to talk to his wife and get things straightened out so that she will come home.

"In the coming, banging on the door. At this time just about everyone is in bed. She knows he's been drinking and is fearful that he will cause her or the children harm. She just isn't going to let him in, trying to reason with him through the door.

"He isn't in a reasonable mood and begins beating the door, kicking it and yelling profanities.

"Understand this is no longer a private home and more than likely 10 people have been wakened from their beds or disturbed watching television.

"Someone calls the police. At the police approach, people from the other buildings are out now. By this time you have a crowd.

"Next day, not only do most of the people living here know about it, but most of the city does by way of mouth.

"Somewhere from the other side of town you hear, 'See, I told you that place is nothing but trouble, and you will and see it's going to get worse. They should never have built it.'

"As an individual, step out on your porch or sidewalk one night and take a good look around. Did the man up the street ever come home with a little too much under his belt, after his home and verbally or physically abuse his wife and children?

"Or the lady across the street raising her teenage children alone — have any of her children or their friends ever caused a disturbance in your block?

"Did you ever have to pick up beer cans or bottles out of your hedge or front lawn?

"But because you live in a neighborhood that is mostly private homes, usually only one or two neighbors know there is a problem and you're not in the public eye.

"Maybe some of you should live down here just to see the compassion that is here. Especially for our retired citizens. These things aren't seen — never the good, only the bad.

"The eyes of Carbondale are upon you, Summit Gardens. You are being watched.



ROOM FULL OF ANTIQUES partially seen in photograph will be on display all week during Pioneer Days celebration. Exhibit is housed at former Crane Armory Building on Eighth Avenue. See story. (Mirror photo by Ros-AI)

Public invited to exhibit

You can sit on a heavy, carved oak love seat, worth \$50, and listen to Kate Smith belt out "The Marines Hymn" on a vintage wind-up Water-Coney Phonola.

You can pore over a white quilt fashioned in the early 1930s by women of First Presbyterian Church of Carbondale, and embroidered with their names. It was presented to Carbondale's first Republican mayor, A.F. Fey.

You can look through the tiny New Testament owned by Mayor Fey, and inscribed by him. "Carried this book asking support through four years of mayor of Carbondale, Pa., 1921-1923, signed, A. F. Fey."

You can enjoy a large photograph of two young sisters, painted in pink and yellow, and encased in a gold, beveled oval frame, and wonder who these area tots were.

If they're still living... which is doubtful... they would very probably be in their 90s.

Celebrity art

You can look over an art exhibit of celebrity works, prints of original oil paintings such as Henry Ford's "Third Floor Rear," Kim Novak's "The Gull," "Gaby" by Peggy Lee, "Migrant Worker's Children," by Dinah Shore, and "The Clown" by Red Skelton. A special display of western art will be exhibited on Saturday.

This week's special exhibit will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Later, when the items are sold on consignment, 10 percent will be donated to the firefighters' fund. A regular flea market, benefiting the firemen, is an ongoing project of Evancho in the lobby of the old armory.

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Evancho emphasized that a special ramp, for the convenience of the handicapped, is a special feature at the armory.

Revert to the days of yesteryear when you view an oak pump organ, made by the Corbin company at Washington, N.J., in the late 1890s; a church kneeler, oak wood stands and dressers; old bottles, glassware and china, and many, many more collectibles.

All of these items, Evancho told the MIRROR, are from the Carbondale area, and so should be of great interest to residents of the region.

Browsers and visitors are welcome, but nothing will be sold until after the Pioneer Days observance.

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